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## GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZES RR RATE INCREASE

RAIL RATES RISE 25 PERCENT -- Wen-hui Pao, 23 Jan 50

Pei-p'ing, 22 January -- The Finance and Economic Commission of the Administration Council of the Central People's government has authorized the Ministry of Railroads to increase railroad rates for passengers and freight in North China and South China, beginning 24 January 1950.

The new basic freight rate will be 25 percent above that announced 6 December 1949. The classification of freight and the proportionate reductions according to distance are to remain the same as in the past. The former basic rassenger rate for North China of 56 yuan per kilometers is to be increased to 75 yuan; and that for South China, of 70 yuan to 90 yuan. Thus, the new third-class fare from Pei-p'ing to T'ien-ching will be 10,500 yuan; that from Pei-p'ing to Shanghai will be 108,500 yuan. There will be a 25-percent increase over present rates on baggage, bundles, and other miscellaneous charges, with the exception of loading and unloading fees.

For the benefit of passengers traveling short distances, the number of express trains has been increased and the length of a section has been decreased from 200 to 100 kilometers. This will result in a saving to passengers traveling less than 200 kilometers.

SOUTH CHINA PASSENGER RATES UP 28.57 PERCENT -- Wen-hui Pao, 25 Jan 50

Kuang-chou -- The Kuang-chou branch office of the Railroad Administration in Heng-yang officially announced on 23 January 1950, an increase of 25 percent in freight rates and miscellaneous charges, and of approximately 28.57 percent on passenger rates, effective 24 January 1950. Further particulars are as

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Basic Freight Rates (in yuan)

Class of Cargo	For Carload Lots (per MT per km)	Less Than <u>Carload Lots</u> (per 100 kg per km)
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	2,059 1,854 1,655 1,465 1,285 1,118 964 816 680 568 473 390 320 260 210 168 134 108 94 81	412 371 331 293 257 224 193 163 136 174 95 78 64 52 42 34 27 22

The third-class coach fare per passenger per kilometer is to be 90 yuan, instead of 70 yuan. Accordingly, on the line from Kuang-chou to Shen-ch'uan (toward Hong Kong), the fares are as follows:

Station .	<u>Fare</u> (in yuan)
Kuang-chou East Station Sha-ho	
Chi-shan	900
Nan-kang	1,900
Hsin-tang	2,700
Hsien-ts'un	3,600
Shih-t'an	4,500
Shih-lung	5,400
Nan-she	6,300
<del></del>	7,200
Heng-li	7,200
Ch'ang-p'ing	8,100
Chang-mu-t'ou	9,000
T'ang-t'ou-hsia	9,900
T'ien-t'ang-yuan	10,800
P'ing-hu	11,700
Pu-chi	12,600
Shen-ch'uan	13,500

On the line from Kuang-chou to Wu-ch'ang, the fares are as follows:

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<u>Station</u>	Fare (in yuan)
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Kuang-chou	
Hsin-chieh	3,600
Yuan-t'an	7,200
Ying-te	
Shao-kuan	13,500
Lo-ch'ang	20,500
	24,500
P'ing-shih	29,400
Chen-hsien	35,000
Kao-t'ing-ssu	37,800
Lei-yang	40,700
Heng-yang	45,800
Heng-shan	49,300
Chu-chou	5 <sup>1</sup> 4,300
Ch'ang-sha Last Station	
Ch'ang-pei (Ch'ang-sha north station)	57,500
Po-lo	57,500
	61,700
Yueh-yang	65,200
Chao-li-ch'iao	68,700
Hsien-ning	72,100
Wu-tung (Wu-ch'ang east station)	76,600
Han-k'ou	77,100

The surcharge for express trains, is as follows:

	Distances (in km)	Surcharge (in yuan)
Up to	100	3,700
	200	5,100
	300	6,500
	400	7,900
	500	9,500
	600	11,000
	700	12,500
	800	14,000
	900	15,000
	1,000	16,900
	1,100	18,500
	1,200	20,000
Over	1,200	21,900

The charges for sleeping berths, per night, are as follows (in yuan):

Class	Upper	<u>Middle</u>	Lower
1st 2d 3d	53,900 35,900 14,000	 18,000	71,700 47,800 23,900

The charges for adults' baggage up to 50 kilograms per person, and for children's baggage up to 30 kilograms per person, is 12.50 yuan for each 10 kilograms per kilometer. Excess baggage weight is to be charged for at the rate of 17 yuan per 10 kilograms per kilometer. Sundry charges (not including porters' fees) are to be 25 percent higher than the heretofore existing rates.

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The charges for parcels are based on a unit of 10 kilograms per kilometer, classified according to the nature of the contents, as follows: class A, 57 yean; class B, 41 yean; class C, 34 yean; and class D, 25 yean. The charge for special parcels is 75 yean per 10 kilograms, regardless of distance.

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